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REMARKS

Claims 2, 3, 5-7 and 12 are pending. Claims 9-11 have been canceled. Claim 12 has been added. No new matter is presented.

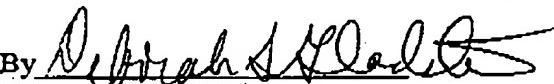
The features of new claim 12 are shown in Figs. 7 and 8 and described in the specification at page 26, lines 11 through page 27, line 19 and on page 29, lines 8-16. None of the references teach or suggest the characteristic features of new claim 12.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue.

In the event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant(s) petition(s) for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 204552016500.

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